## **HOUSE BILL 2502**

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3; Title 4; Title 33; Title 37; Title 49 and Title 71, relative to the mental health needs of Tennessee's children and youth.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 33-1-203, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection (9):

(9) Developing and implementing a sufficiently coordinated, comprehensive, and effective public children's mental health service delivery system to identify, assess, diagnose, treat, manage, and support children who have mental health care needs and their families.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, the public welfare requiring it.